


Region 2 Fire Danger Outlook

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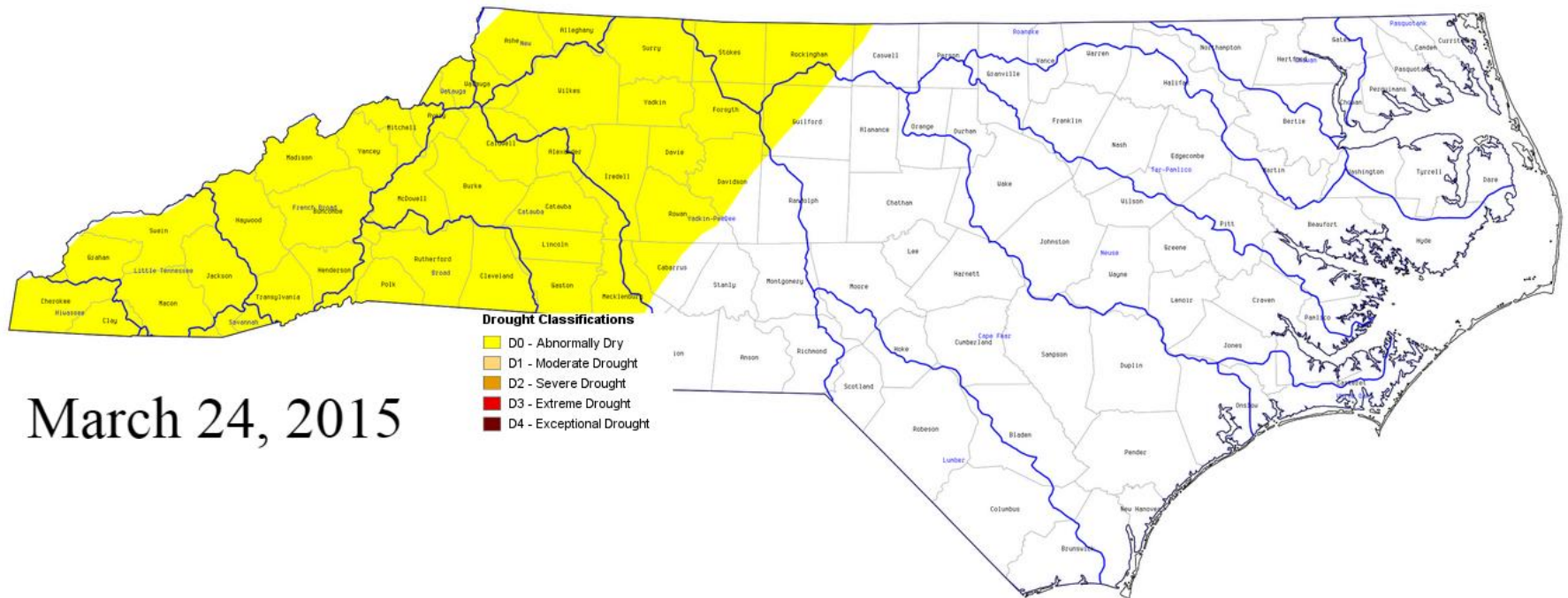
Weather Outlook

- Today's precipitation event is expected to deliver between 1/10th to 1/4" of rain. There is another slight chance for precipitation on Monday. A southern stream system will develop in the lower Midwest by mid week bring our next chance of precipitation Thursday into Friday.
- Temperatures are predicted to run below normal today and through the weekend. A general westerly flow next week will bring temperatures back to normal to slightly above normal. Normal high temperature for this time of year in the piedmont is around 65°F.
- Winds are predicted to be out of the N to NW for today and Saturday and will be strong with gust 20-25 mph. Winds moderate on Sunday still out of the NW and then switches W to SW as we head into Monday and next week. Wind speeds for this period are predicted to be around 5 to 10 mph. As our next system approaches on Thursday the winds are predicted to increase to 10 to 15 mph out of the SW.

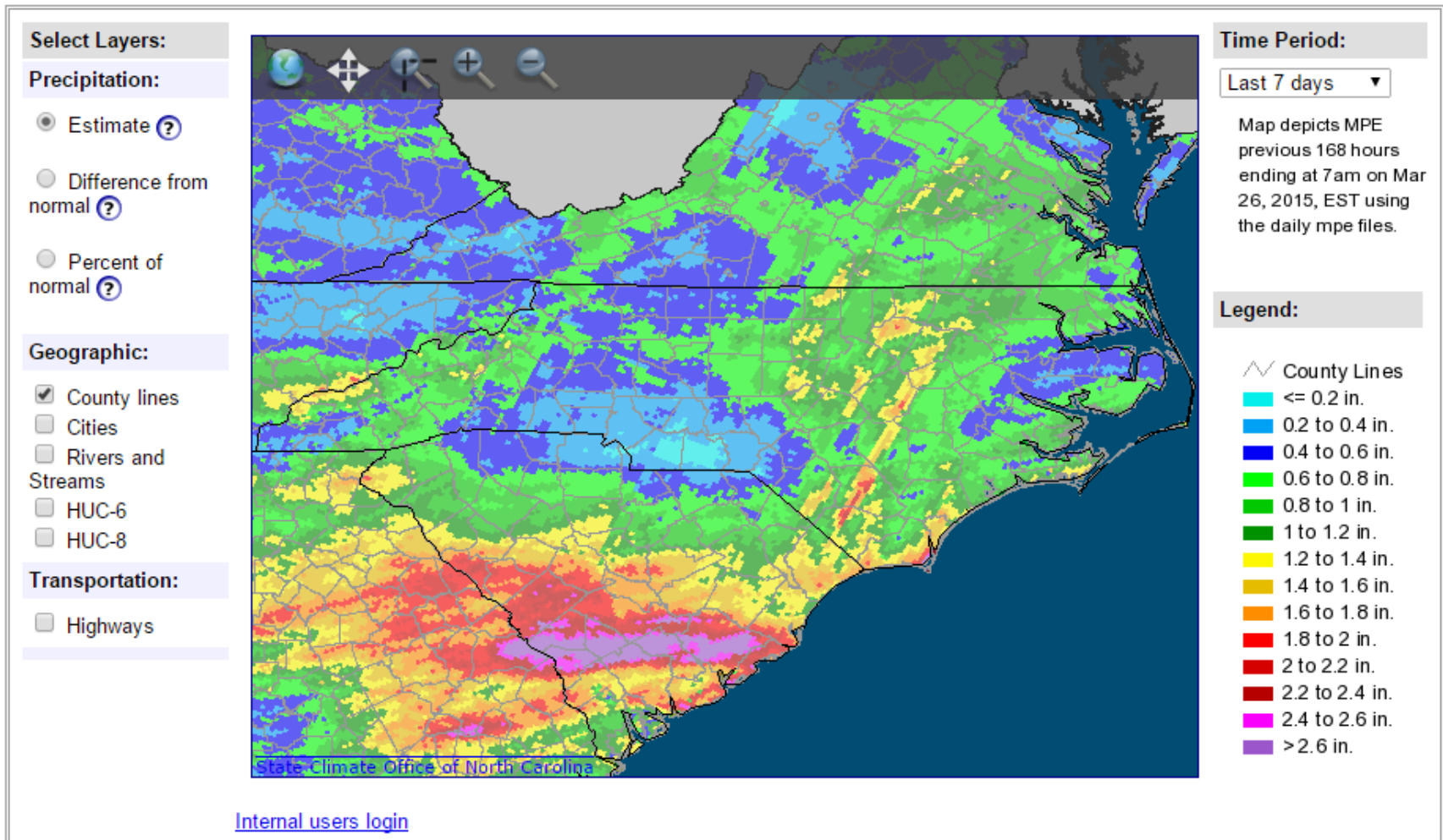


Recent Prescribed Burn in D3

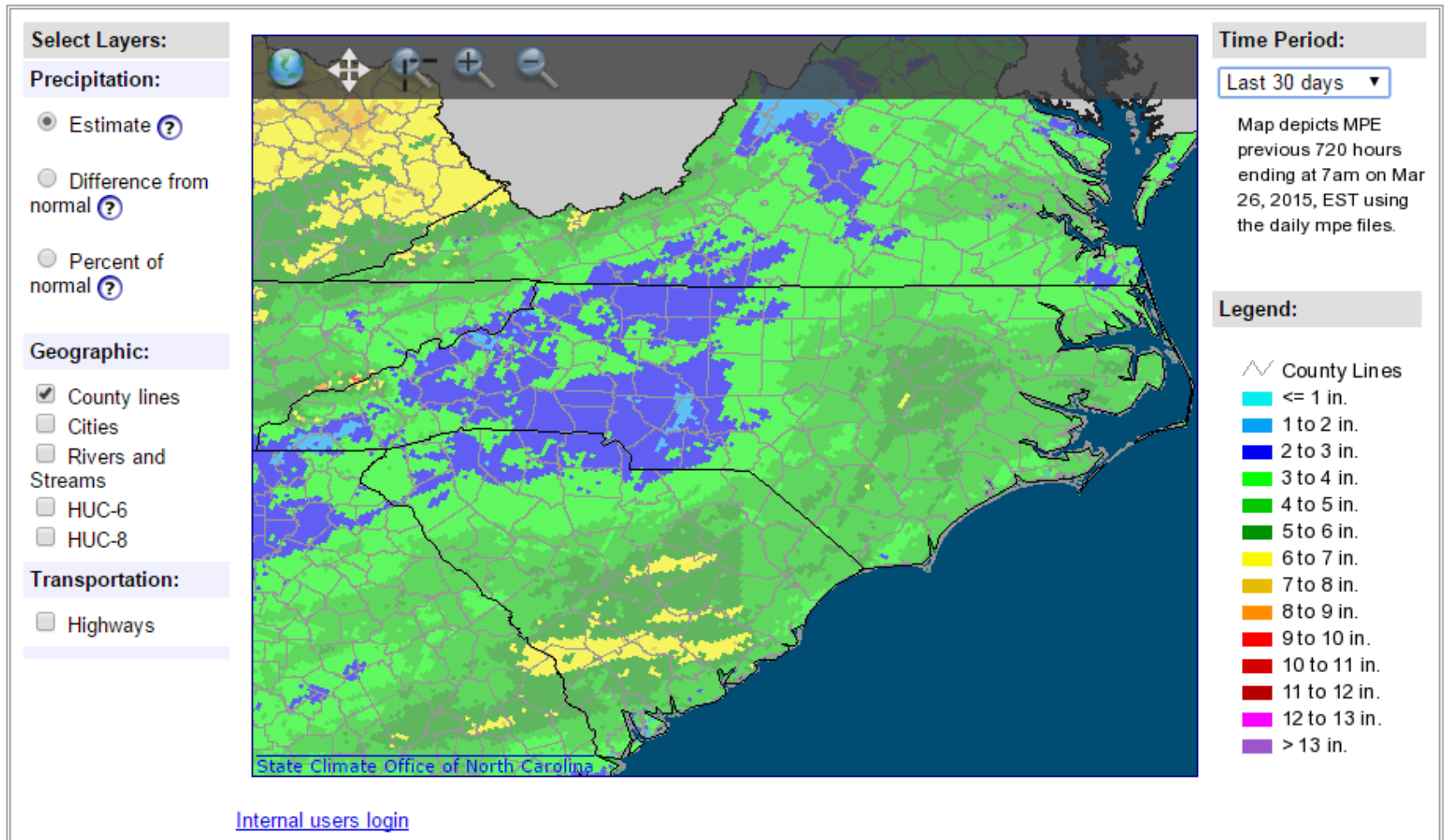
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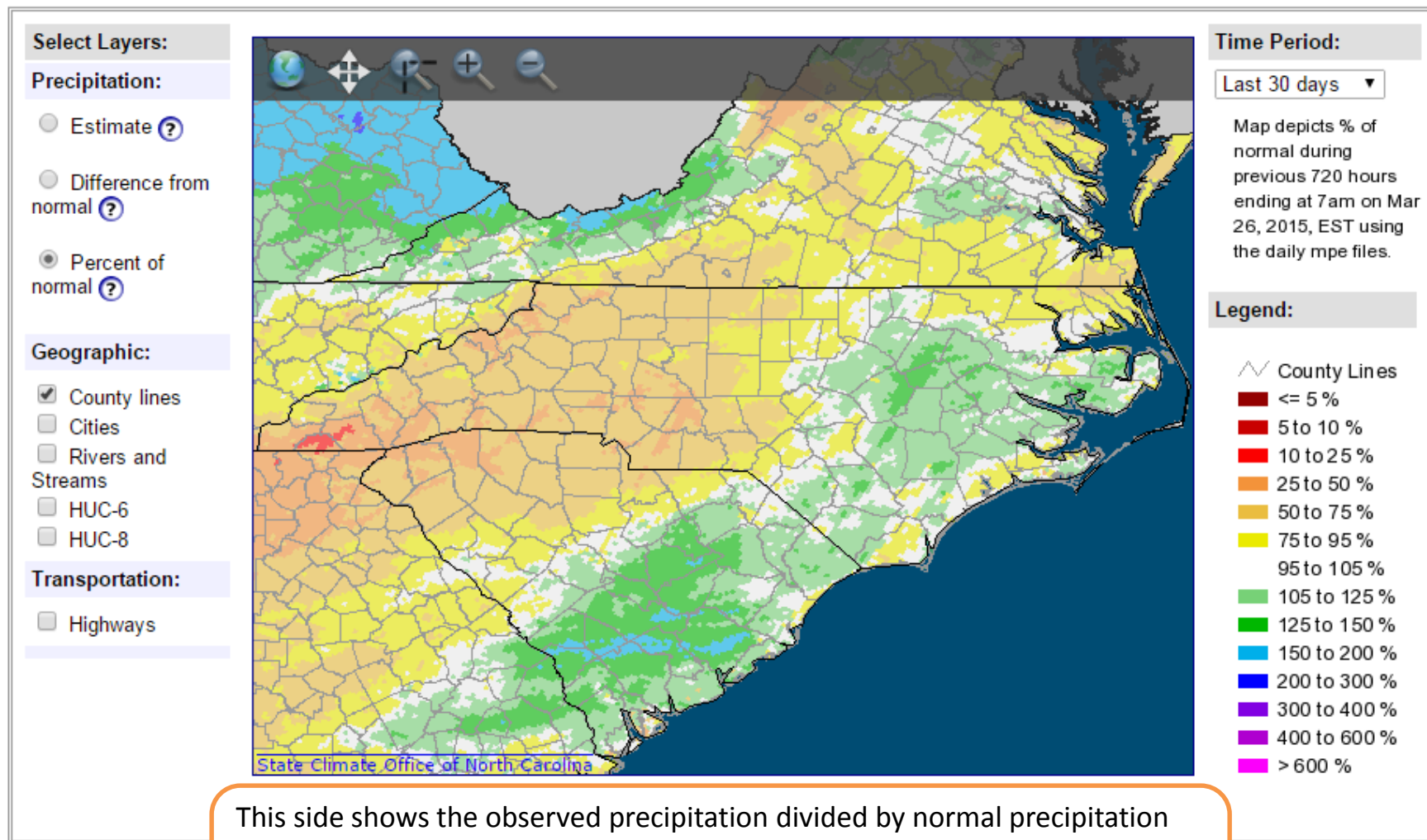
7 Day Precipitation Map



30 Day Precipitation Map



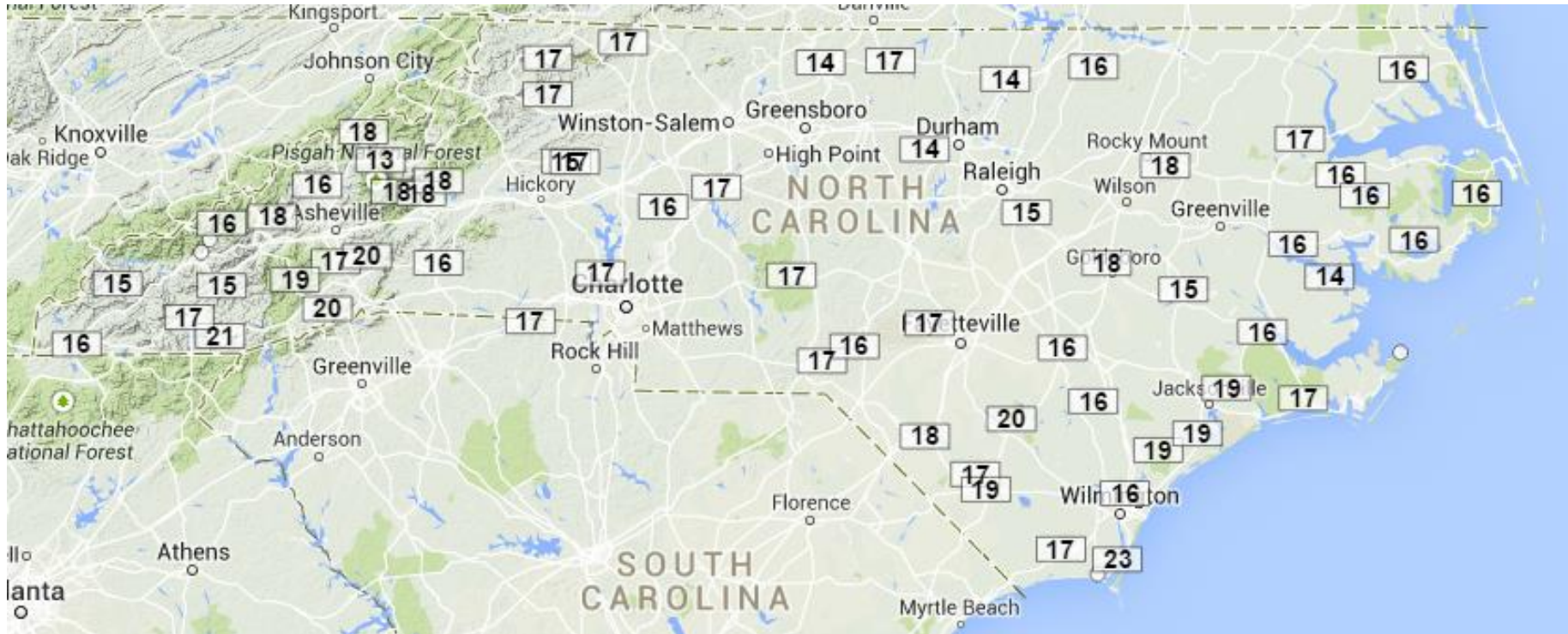
30 day Percent of Normal



Current KBDI Values

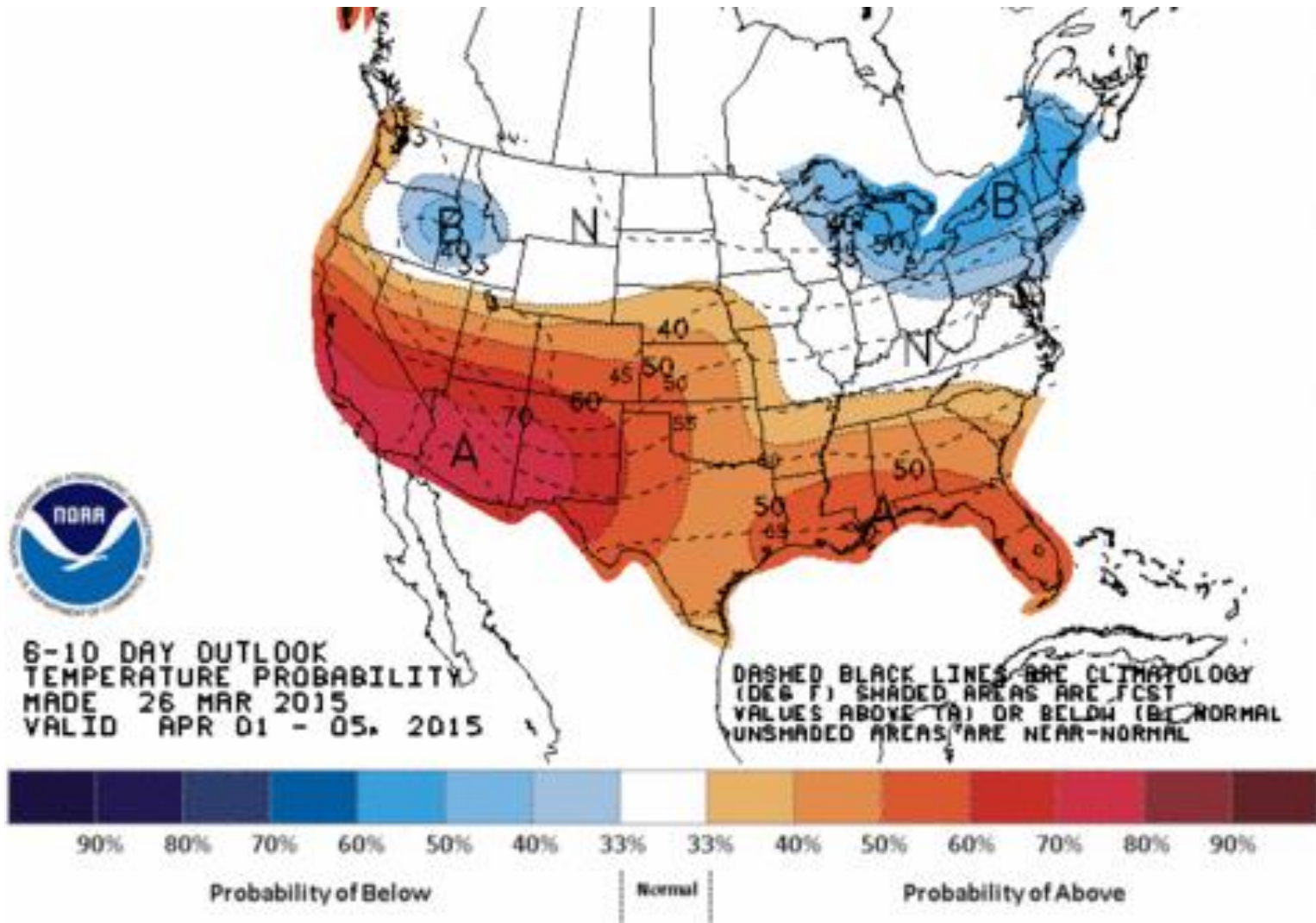


Current 100 Hour Fuels

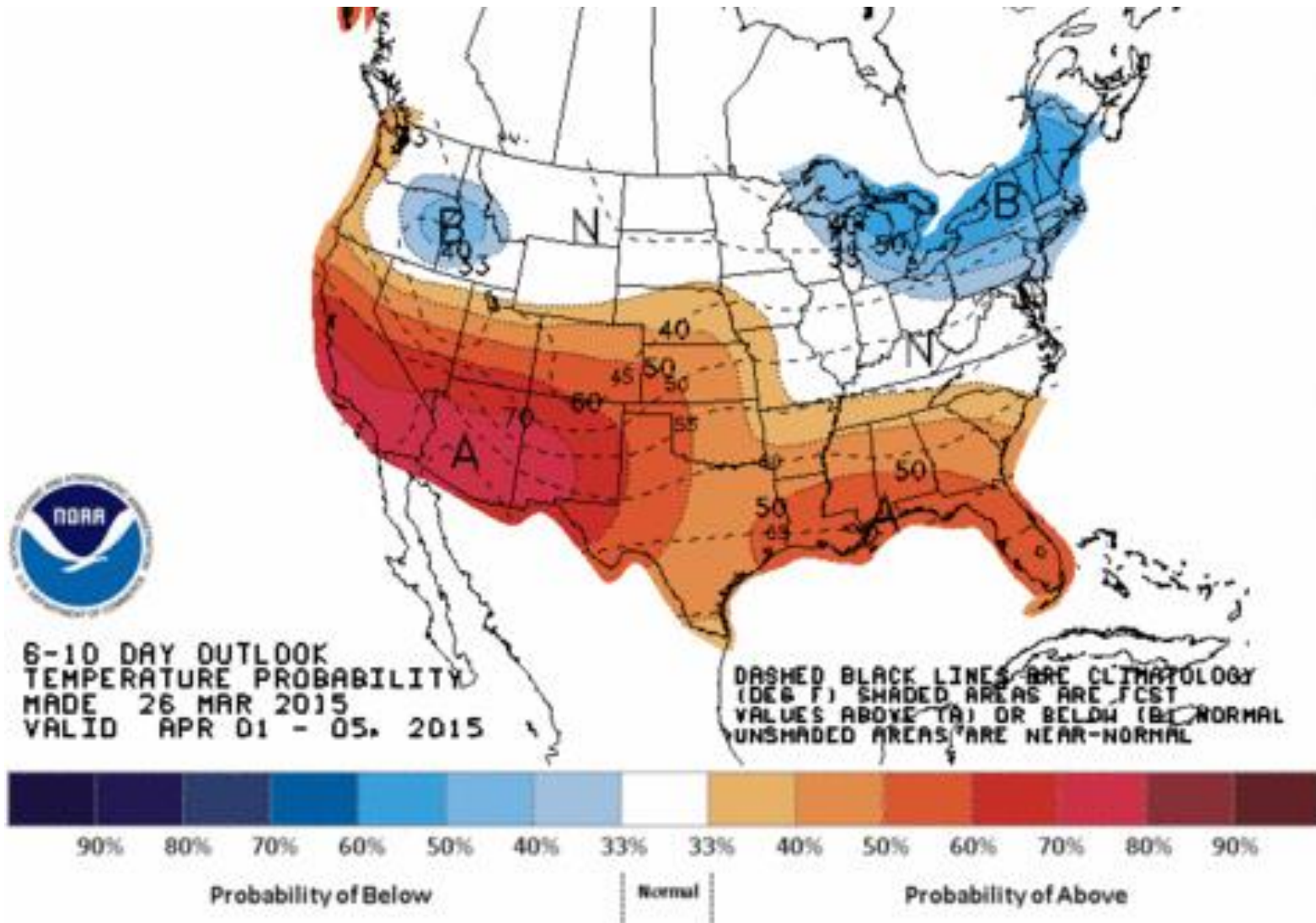


Remember 100 Hr values of 15% or less are a good indicator of when to expect large and/or multiple fire days.

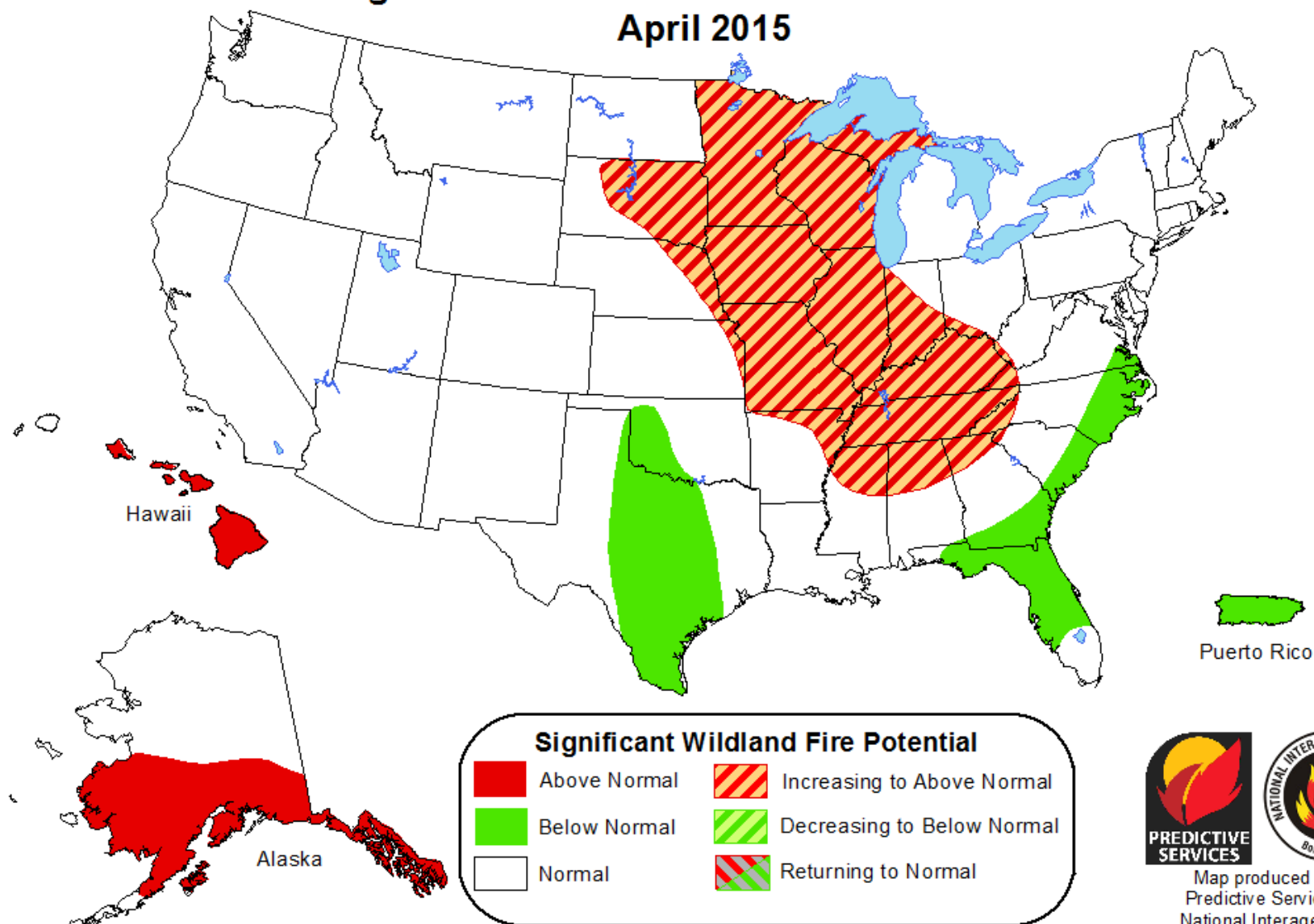
6-10 Day Temperature Outlook



6-10 day Precipitation Outlook



Significant Wildland Fire Potential Outlook April 2015



Above normal significant wildland fire potential indicates a higher than usual likelihood that wildland fires will occur and/or become significant events. Wildland fires are still expected to occur during forecasted normal conditions as would usually be expected during the outlook period. Significant wildland fires are still possible but less likely than usual during forecasted below normal periods.



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Synopsis

- Districts should continue to monitor fire danger conditions at the local level. The NC Fire Weather Intelligence Portal is a quick and easy way to gather past, current and predicted information.
- Fire occurrences continues to trend below normal.
- Fires should continue to be well within the county and district capabilities if current conditions continue.
- Current wildfire statics for the month of March have recorded 515 fires for 1067 acres across the state on private and state owned lands.
- Districts should look for chances to increase prescribed burning while favorable conditions persist. Be proactive with looking at the weather forecast so opportunities are not missed.
- “Special Request” Please send me some of your current Wildfire or Prescribed Burning photos to include in these assessments.